



COUNCIL MINUTES

June 23, 2008

The City Council of the City of Mesa met in a Special Council Meeting in the upper level meeting room of the Council Chambers, 57 East 1st Street, on June 23, 2008 at 6:20 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Scott Smith
Alex Finter
Dina Higgins
Kyle Jones
Dennis Kavanaugh
Dave Richins
Scott Somers

COUNCIL ABSENT

None

OFFICERS PRESENT

Christopher Brady
Debbie Spinner
Linda Crocker

(Items on the agenda were discussed out of order, but for purposes of clarity will remain as listed on the agenda.)

Mayor Smith advised that per State law, the Council is required to enter into a Special Council Meeting for the purpose of adopting the budget for FY 2008/09 and the Five-Year Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Years ending 2009-2013.

1. Take action on the following resolutions:

- a. Approving a Five-Year Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Years ending 2009-2013 – Resolution No. 9293.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Jones, seconded by Councilmember Somers, that Resolution No. 9293 be adopted.

Carried unanimously.

- b. Approving a budget for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2009 – Resolution No. 9292.

Mayor Smith commented that although the previous Council engaged in the decision-making process regarding the budget, due to statutory requirements, this Council must adopt it. He stated that because he respects the process, he would vote in the affirmative. Mayor Smith noted, however, that it should not be stated that he opposes or supports the items contained in the budget because he did not participate in such a process. He added that he looks forward to

working with staff and the citizenry as the Council “makes their own imprint” with regard to the budget process in the future.

Councilmember Somers indicated that it is important for everyone to realize that the proposed budget is not the budget of the current Council, the City Manager or staff, but rather a public budget that is derived through a public process. He said that there are many opportunities for Mesa residents to become involved in the process (i.e., e-mails, telephone calls, budget meetings) and added that the Council would welcome and encourage any input or feedback they receive in this regard.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Jones, seconded by Councilmember Somers, that Resolution No. 9292 be adopted.

Carried unanimously.

2. Adjournment.

Without objection, the Special Council meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

SCOTT SMITH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

LINDA CROCKER, CITY CLERK

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special Council meeting of the City Council of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 23rd day of June 2008. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

LINDA CROCKER, CITY CLERK